

The Rambler

Rose Hill 50th Anniversary Celebration Saturday, September 18, 2004 Lee District Park, 1 to 5 pm

President's Message

Music, Food, Fun, Flag-Raising Set for Lee District Park Party

Make plans to join your friends and neighbors this coming Saturday, September 18, at Lee District Park as the Rose Hill Civic Association presents a unique celebration of our community's 50th anniversary.

The program begins at 1 pm with displays of old fire and police equipment and food and drink priced at only 50 cents for hot dogs, pizza, and Coca-Cola products. Hamburgers will be available at a slightly higher price. Music, provided by The Koolrockin' Daddies, will begin at 1:00 pm and continue throughout the party except during the flag-raising ceremony.

Come early to make sure you don't miss out on these 'Fabulous 50' prices. Once our generous supply is gone, the table will be empty! The party ends at 5 pm.

We thank Coca-Cola for the soft drinks, Vocelli Pizza of Rose Hill Shopping Center for the pizza, Dove Heating & Air Conditioning for the hot dogs, and Roy Rogers Restaurants in Manchester Lakes, Belle View, and Woodlawn for the hamburgers.

We also thank Fairfax County Fire & Rescue, the Franconia Volunteer Fire Department, the Fairfax County Police, the Fairfax County Park Authority, and the staff at Lee District Park for their support and participation.

We tentatively have scheduled a demonstration by the Fairfax County police dogs (unless they aren't off chasing criminals) and a reenactment of the Civil War raid on Rose Hill.

At 2:30 pm, there will be a flag-raising ceremony to put in place a flag that has flown over the United States Capitol. Congressman Jim Moran, who obtained the flag for RHCA, will speak along with Supervisor Dana Kauffman. The flag will be placed

on the pole overlooking Rose Hill Drive by the Fairfax County Fire & Rescue color guard. The ceremony will begin with an invocation offered by a representative of Pohick Church. The original owner of Rose Hill started the construction of Pohick Church but passed away before it was finished. George Mason finished the job!

Rose Hill residents are advised to walk to Lee District Park. The event will be held in the picnic area overlooking Rose Hill Drive near the carousel, which will be in operation. Only persons with DMV handicapped permits, guests, and vendors will be allowed to park in the lot behind the tennis courts.

If you can help by serving food, or are willing to help set-up or clean-up, please call Marty Williams at 703.924.7192, Linda Nichols at 703.971.0755, or Carl Sell at 703.971.4716.

Library Beautification

Carol Dickerson from the neighboring community of Vantage, has started a beautification project on the John Marshall Library grounds facing Rose Hill Drive. Michael Dougherty, an Eagle Scout candidate who lives in Rose Hill and a sophomore at Edison High School, will be doing some cleanup work later this Fall. On behalf of RHCA, I have pledged to help round up some volunteers and the ask the Association to help purchase flowers and shrubs to be planted next Spring. We will be asking for donations as part of our 2005 membership drive beginning in November. The tentative clean up days are September 25 and October 2. If you can help, call me at 703.971.4716, and I'll get back to you with the times. The Rose Hill Apartments keeps the median looking great and RHCA takes care of the entrance sign and plantings at Rose Hill Drive and Franconia Road. Let's all pitch in to spruce up the Library site.

—Carl Sell

More Details About Rose Hill's 50th Anniversary Celebration

Rose Hill residents are invited to participate in the Rose Hill Civic Association's 50th Anniversary Celebration. If you are in contact with any previous Rose Hill residents, please let them know.

The celebration will be held in the carousel and picnic area at Lee District Park. The Fairfax County Fire and Rescue and Police Departments will have equipment on display and the Police dogs will give a demonstration at 2:00 pm.

Flag Raising Ceremony at 2:30pm

The special program at 2:30 will include the raising of a United States flag that has flown over the Capitol building in Washington. It will be displayed on the flagpole overlooking Rose Hill Drive that originally was donated to Lee District Park by RHCA.

Congressman James P. Moran will be our special guest. Congressman Moran arranged for the flag to be flown over the United States Capitol and presented it to RHCA. Following the flag raising, we will hear the National Anthem and then everyone will be invited to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Don't Run, Don't Drive, Just Walk

Rose Hill residents are requested to walk to Lee District Park on Saturday, September 18, as parking in the picnic area will be reserved for the handicapped (with DVM permit), performers, special guests, and vendors.

Hot dogs, pizza, and soft drinks will be on sale for 50 cents. Hamburgers will be slightly more expensive. Water will be free to all.

Volunteers Still Needed

Help is needed for set-up, clean-up, and everything in between. Please contact Marty Williams (703.924.5196), Linda Nichols (703.971.0755), or Carl Sell (703.971.4716) if you can help us out.

Anniversary T-Shirts On Sale

To order your t-shirt in advance, simply call Linda Nichols at 703.971.0755. Shirts will also be on sale and orders taken at the Park on the 18th.

Thanks for the Donations

At a recent sale of Rose Hill 50th Anniversary t-shirts, we received donations from several people. RHCA sends out a *big* thanks to: Carl Jennings, Doug McNary, Tommy Toyas, Fred Schofield, John Perkins, Jerome Brown, and a special unknown contributor.



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***There will NOT be an RHCA
meeting in September.
Join your friends on the 18th at
Lee District Park, 1 to 5 pm.***